

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 23 to 26 and amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. to 12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) An electronic device, comprising:

a detecting unit adapted to detect whether a warning status has occurred;

a warning unit adapted to notify to a user that the warning status has occurred; and

a communication unit adapted to transmit warning information ~~including image data and~~ indicating that the warning status has occurred,

wherein, if the ~~detected~~ warning status is not released within a predetermined time, the communication unit ~~is adapted to~~ transmits the warning information to a registered device that has been registered by the user as a device that is to receive the warning information, and

~~wherein, if the detected~~ warning status is not released in spite of transmitting the warning information to the registered device and if it is determined that the user is not near the electronic device, the communication unit ~~is adapted to~~ transmits the warning information to ~~an unregistered device that has not been registered by the user as a device that is to receive the warning information~~ one or more hand-held terminals in an external network according to a predetermined order.

14. (Currently Amended) The electronic device according to Claim 13, wherein ~~the unregistered device is connected to a network including the registered device,~~ before it is determined whether or not the user is near the electronic device, the

communication unit transmits the warning information to an unregistered device that has not been registered by the user as a device that is to receive the warning information.

15. (Currently Amended) The electronic device according to Claim 13, wherein the warning information ~~further~~ comprises at least one of image data, text data and audio data.

16. (Currently Amended) The electronic device according to Claim 13, wherein ~~each of the electronic device[[,]]~~ and the registered device ~~and the unregistered device is~~ are connected to a ~~home~~ domestic network.

17. (Currently Amended) The electronic device according to Claim ~~13~~ 14, wherein, if the ~~detected~~ warning status is not released in spite of transmitting the warning information to the registered device and the unregistered device and then it is determined that the user is not near the electronic device, ~~the communication unit is adapted to transmit~~ the communication unit transmits the warning information to a ~~predetermined device in an external network~~ the one or more hand-held terminals according to the predetermined order.

18. (Currently Amended) A method for an electronic device, comprising the steps of:

a detecting step of detecting whether a warning status has occurred; ~~and~~

a notifying step of notifying a user that the warning status has occurred[[,]]; and

and

a transmitting step of transmitting warning information indicating that the warning status has occurred,

wherein, if the ~~detected~~ warning status is not released within a predetermined time, ~~performing a first transmitting step of transmitting~~ the transmitting step transmits the warning information ~~including image data and indicating that the warning status has occurred~~ to a registered device that has been registered by the user as a device that is to receive the warning information, and

if the ~~detected~~ warning status is not released in spite of the first transmitting step transmitting the warning information to the registered device, and if it is determined that the user is not near the electronic device, ~~performing a second transmitting step of transmitting the transmitting step transmits~~ the warning information to ~~an unregistered device that has not been registered by the user as a device that is to receive the warning information~~ one or more hand-held terminals in an external network according to a predetermined order.

19. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 18, wherein ~~the unregistered device is connected to a network including the registered device, before it is determined whether or not the user is near the electronic device, the transmitting step transmits the warning information to an unregistered device that has not been registered by the user as a device that is to receive the warning information.~~

20. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 18, wherein the warning information ~~further~~ comprises at least one of image data, text data and audio data.

21. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 18, wherein ~~each~~ of the electronic device, and the registered device, ~~and the unregistered device is~~ are connected to a ~~home~~ domestic network.

22. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim ~~18~~ 19, further comprising a step of wherein, if the warning status is not released in spite of ~~the second transmitting step~~ transmitting the warning information to the registered device and the unregistered device and then it is determined that the user is not near the electronic device, performing a third the transmitting step of transmitting transmits the warning information to a ~~predetermined device in an external network~~ the one or more hand-held terminals according to the predetermined order.

23. to 26. (Canceled)